Adirondack Age Group Coach of the Year

The Adirondack Age Group Coach of the Year honor that is awarded by Adirondack Swimming LSC. This award will be voted and awarded to the individual with the largest number of votes. One vote will be allotted per team. This award will be nominated at the end of the Short Course Season following the Silvers/Gold Championship meets.

This award provides continuing education by giving a partial scholarship to the winning coach to attend the American Swim Coaches Association (ASCA) World Clinic or Eastern States Swim Clinic. The award is \$200.00. The ASCA World Clinic is held in the first week of September and has been in locations such as San Diego, CA., Washington D.C., and Ft. Lauderdale, FL, Las Vegas, NV. The coach will receive an official recognition at the World Clinic during the banquet. If a coach is unable to attend the ASCA World Clinic they will have the opportunity use the \$200.00 for the Eastern States Clinic.

To be considered for this award the coach must either nominate himself/herself, or be nominated by anyone involved in the swimming community (club members, parents, other coaches). Once nominated, the candidates will be asked to submit a letter denoting why the feel they should be chosen. If the person nominating enters a comment with the name, that will be used as the letter. The nominatee will only be asked to submit something if no information is given. The criteria for winning have been set up by the Adirondack LSC and include the following:

- 1. Must be active, registered in Adirondack LSC and in good standing.
- 2. Is currently not in a HEAD COACH capacity for a USA Swimming Registered Team.
- 3. Have a strong desire to gain more knowledge and to share with Adirondack House of Delegates.
- 4. Demonstrate commitment to Adirondack Swimming.
- 5. Demonstrate values consistent with goals of USA Swimming and Adirondack Swimming.
- 6. Have a positive and ongoing relationship with athletes and other coaches.

There are many coaches in the Adirondack LSC that deserve and would benefit from this scholarship. We would like to receive nominations and consideration letters by Silver Championships Meet. All considerations letters need to be sent to the Coach Representative, via mail or email. The Adirondack Coach Representative will review all letters, and create a ballot listing nominee along with comments regarding the nominee, each team will be allowed one vote per team of all in attendance at Silvers Championships. The award will be announced at the conclusion of Gold Short Course Championships in March. The Adirondack Coach Representative will announce and award a certificate from AD Swimming in regards to the Award with a letter to distinguish if they will be going on trip to the ASCA Conference or if they plan on

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attending Eastern States Swim Clinic. The Adirondack Coach Representative will forward the winners name to ASCA.

Please consider nominating yourself or a coach form Adirondack LSC for this award. If you are a head coach, and have younger less experience coaches on staff, this would be a great opportunity to help them receive further coaching education. Coaches may nominate themselves by sending a letter directly to the Coach Representative.

You can learn more about the ASCA World Clinic by going to <u>www.swimmingcoach.org</u> or Eastern States Swim Clinic by going to <u>www.swimclinic.com</u>.

SAMPLE LETTER:

Congratulations ______ (enter name on line) on your winning of the Adirondack LSC Age Group Coach of the Year. With this distinction you are allotted a \$200 Scholarship money to be used at one of the following clinics this year. Please check below which clinic you plan on attending.

_____ American Swim Coaches Association World Clinic – Location changes annually in September.

_____ Eastern States Swim Clinic – Location Pennsylvania in October.

SAMPLE CERTIFICATE:

ADIRONDACK LSC AGE GROUP COACH OF THE YEAR

The certificate is award to

(Winners Name)

in recognition of valuable contribution to ADIRONDACK SWIMMING.

(Adirondack Coach Representative – Signature Here)

(Date)

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SAMPLE VOTING FORM

- <u>(Coach's Name)</u> Comments about why the coach should get this award.
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Please return voting sheet to Coach Representative or designatee for tallying of votes.